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Media Release

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Re: Man Arrested for Home Invasion and False Imprisonment

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On 02-25-13 at approximately 4 p.m., the victim reported that a former employee, Richard Ulrich, made entry into her residence on English Elm Circle in Spring Hill. Once inside, Ulrich confronted the female victim with a large "stake type" stick and threatened to kill her for firing him from a job a few years ago.

While still inside the victim's residence, Ulrich continued to poke the victim with the stick while demanding a large amount of money from her. The victim was confined to the Florida room during this time and was deprived of a telephone. The victim told detectives that Ulrich's behavior was so aggressive during this time, that she "was afraid for her life." She believed that Ulrich was going to carry out his threat of killing her.

Hoping that he would leave, the victim gave Ulrich the contents of her purse, \$18 in cash. He demanded more. He said he needed \$1,000 so he could leave the state.

The victim convinced Ulrich that they would need to go to an ATM in order for her to get more money. When they left the confines of the residence to walk to the car, the victim ran to a neighbor's house for safety. Richard Ulrich fled the scene.

On 02-26-13, Deputies Dane Jenkins and Joe Schneider located Ulrich at his parent's address of 6107 Colchester Rd. in Spring Hill. He was taken into custody without incident.

Detective Wayne Peterson interviewed Ulrich to learn that he had been drinking at a local bar on 02-25-13. While on his way home, he decided to confront the victim about being fired a few years prior. He admitted to gaining entry without permission and said he wanted to get in there and "intimidate the victim and scare her for firing him." Ulrich also admitted to

having the stick in his hand the entire time of the incident, but denied threatening to kill the victim. He also stated that he could not remember taking any money from her.

Richard Ulrich W/M DOB/01-19-1960 was placed into custody and charged as follows:

Home Invasion

False Imprisonment

His bond has been set at NO BOND.